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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Ms. Kathy Blake  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
36M66 Southern Bell Center  
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Docket # 03-00119

Dear Ms. Blake:

In response to your letter dated October 3, 2003 I would like to point out that the attachment to your letter was not from the website of Business Telecom, Inc. (BTI). It appears to be from the website of Phone+ Magazine and I am unable to validate any information that you might have obtained from the Phone+ website.

However, I can respond to your inquiry concerning the availability of wholesale switching as a product offering from BTI. As provided to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority in response to its Data Request in Docket 02-00207, BTI has never sold switching to another carrier in Tennessee. Any advertising for switched local services is intended as resale with the target market being ISPs and prepaid card service providers in limited areas in BTI's local service footprint. It is not an offering for unbundled local switching but an offering for the resale of BTI's local telecommunications services. Due to the narrow confines of BTI's offering for switched local services any pricing information is irrelevant to your inquiry.

If you have any questions, please call me at 919-863-7362.

Sincerely,

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

  
W. Scott Yellon  
Director, Local Product Group

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Enclosures (Copy of October 3, 2003 letter from Kathy Blake w/attachment)

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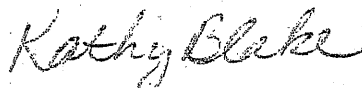
Robert Buffa, Dealer VP  
BTI  
4300 Six Forks Road  
Raleigh, NC 27609

Dear Mr. Buffa:

BellSouth has been asked to provide the Tennessee Regulatory Authority with information regarding switching. We are trying to confirm that BTI offers wholesale switching, as indicated on the attached page from your website. Please respond to this letter by October 10 if your website does not accurately reflect the availability of switching from BTI.

Please also provide any information on whether BTI maintains a standard price for switching and whether it provides discounts off of such prices.

Sincerely,



Kathy Blake



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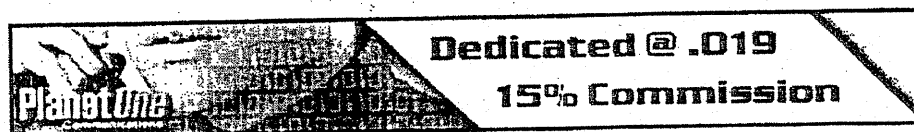
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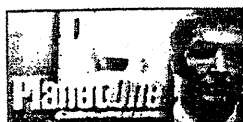
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